## What is claimed is:

1. An article to be worn about a wearer comprising:

a surface fastening system having a primary direction of load bearing, the surface fastening system including a first surface fastening element and a second surface fastening element, the first fastening element being joined to the article, the second fastening element being disposed so as to be generally in a face to face relationship with the first fastening element when the surface fastening system is in a fastened configuration,

wherein the surface fastening system has a peel resistance in a direction other than the primary direction of load bearing greater than or equal to about 1000 grams.

- 2. The article of Claim 1, wherein the surface fastening system has a peel resistance in the primary direction of load bearing less than the peel resistance in the first direction.
- 3. The article of Claim 2, wherein the first fastening element further includes a laterally inboard edge and a longitudinally inboard edge, the longitudinally inboard edge being longer than the laterally inboard edge.
- 4. The article of Claim 2, wherein the first fastening element further includes a laterally inboard edge and a longitudinally outboard edge, the longitudinally outboard edge being longer than the laterally inboard edge.
- 5. The article of Claim 2, wherein the effective longitudinal dimension increases as peel progresses from a laterally inboard edge of the first fastening element to a lateral outboard edge of the first fastening element.
- 6. The article of Claim 1, wherein one or more of the first and second fastening elements is selectively enhanced.
- 7. The article of Claim 1 wherein one or more of the first and second fastening elements is selectively damaged.
- 8. The article of Claim 1, wherein one or more of the first and second fastening elements has an inherent directionality.

- The article of Claim 1, wherein the first fastening element further includes a longitudinally inboard edge having at least a portion of the longitudinally inboard edge being unjoined from the article.
- 10. The article of Claim 9, wherein the first fastening element further includes a laterally inboard edge substantially joined to the article.
- 11. The article of Claim 1, wherein the first fastening element further includes a longitudinally outboard edge having at least a portion of the longitudinally outboard edge being unjoined from the article.
- 12. The article of Claim 1, wherein the peel resistance in the direction other than the primary direction of load bearing is selected from one or more of the group of: greater than or equal to about 1300 grams, greater than or equal to about 1600 grams, greater than or equal to about 2000 grams.
- 13. The article of Claim 1, wherein the peel resistance of the fastening system in the primary direction of load bearing is selected from one or more of the group of: less than about 1000 grams, less than about 750 grams, less than about 500 grams.
- 7 14. The article of Claim1, further comprising a chassis including an absorbent member.
  - 15. The article of Claim 1, wherein the article is selected from one or more of the group of: an absorbent article, a diaper, a sanitary napkin, a body wrap.
  - 16. The article of Claim 1, wherein the article is a body wrap.
  - 17. The article of Claim 1, wherein the first fastening element includes a hinge.
  - 18. The article of Claim 1, wherein the fastening system of the article is pre-fastened.

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